

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-22 (Canceled).

23. (Currently Amended) A [The] method for remote monitoring of a premises, said method of claim 1, further comprising: the steps of:

operatively coupling a remote client to a security system server, said security system server being capable of authenticating a user of said remote client;

operatively coupling said remote client to a security gateway, said security gateway being capable of managing the monitoring of one or more portions of said premises;

said operative coupling of said remote client to said security gateway further comprising:

verifying the ~~identification~~ identity of said user of said remote client;

transmitting ~~an access token~~ authorization information from said security system server to said remote client and from said security system server to said security gateway, said authorization information transmitted to said remote client including access permissions for said user;

said remote client using said authorization information to operatively couple with said security gateway;

~~providing said security gateway with information about said user and said access token;~~

activating a signal at said premises for notifying an occupant at said premises that remote monitoring is occurring; and

transferring information between said security gateway and said remote client;
wherein said user is at a location which is geographically remote from said
premises;

wherein access to said security gateway by said remote client is allowed based
upon said access permissions for said user; and

~~wherein said access token is adapted to allow said remote client to access said~~
~~security gateway based on said user's permission profile; and~~

wherein said user's access permissions for said user are based upon a permission
profile is created by a general administrator of said security gateway.

24. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein said general administrator of said security system is capable of modifying said user's permission profile.

25. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein said step of verifying said identification of said user comprises authenticating biometric data.

Claims 26-28 (Canceled).

29. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23, wherein said ~~access token allows access~~
~~to permission profile for said user identifies~~ specific features of said security gateway ~~according~~
~~to said user's permission profile~~ which may be accessed by said remote client.

30. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23, wherein said ~~access token allows~~ access permissions for said user enables said user to access to one or more designated cameras located at said premises.

31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23, wherein said ~~access token allows~~ access permissions for said user enables said user to access to one or more designated audio stations located at said premises.

Claims 32-52 (Canceled).

53. (Currently Amended) A method for remote monitoring of a residential premises, said method comprising the steps of:

operatively coupling a remote client to a security system server, said security system server being capable of authenticating a user of said remote client;

verifying the ~~identification~~ identity of said user of said remote client;

transmitting ~~an access token~~ authorization information from said security system server to said remote client and from said security system server to a security gateway, said authorization information transmitted to said remote client including access permissions for said user;

~~providing said security gateway with information about said user and said access token;~~

operatively coupling said remote client to a said security gateway, said security gateway being capable of managing the monitoring of one or more portions of said premises;

activating a signal at said premises for notifying an occupant at said premises that remote monitoring is occurring; and

transferring information between said security gateway and said remote client;

wherein said user is at a location which is geographically remote from said premises;

wherein said security gateway is operably coupled to at least one camera located at said premises;

wherein said security gateway is operably coupled to at least one audio station located at said premises;

~~wherein said access token is adapted to allow said remote client to access said security gateway based on said user's permission profile; and~~

wherein access to said security gateway by said remote client is allowed based upon said access permissions for said user; and

wherein said user's access permissions for said user are based upon a permission profile ~~is~~ created by a general administrator of said security gateway.

Claims 54-57 (Canceled).

58. (Currently Amended) A security system of claim 54, for remote monitoring of a premises by a user of a remote client, said security system comprising:

a security system server, said security system server being capable of authenticating said user of said remote client, and, upon authentication of said user of said remote client, providing said remote client with information necessary for said remote client to directly access a security gateway for said premises via a network;

a security gateway operatively coupled to said security system server via said network, said security gateway being capable of managing the monitoring of one or more portions of said premises;

one or more cameras located at said premises and operatively coupled to said security gateway; and

one or more audio stations located at said premises and operatively coupled to said security gateway;

wherein said user is at a location which is geographically remote from said premises;

wherein said security gateway provides an audiovisual signal at said premises for notifying an occupant at said premises that remote monitoring is occurring;

wherein said remote client cannot directly access said security gateway without said information provided, to said remote client, by said security system server; and

wherein said security system server provides said remote client with an access token authorization information based on a permission profile associated with said user.

59. (Currently Amended) A security system for remote monitoring of a premises by a user of a remote client, said security system comprising:

a security system server, said security system server being capable of authenticating said user of said remote client;

a security gateway operatively coupled to said security system server via a network, said security gateway being capable of managing the monitoring of one or more portions of said premises;

one or more cameras located at said premises and operatively coupled to said security gateway; and

one or more audio stations located at said premises and operatively coupled to said security gateway;

wherein said user is at a location which is geographically remote from said premises;

wherein said security gateway provides an audiovisual signal at said premises for notifying an occupant at said premises that remote monitoring is occurring;

wherein said security system provides for streaming data in substantially real-time from said security gateway to said remote client;

wherein said security system provides for substantially real-time synchronized audio and video communication between said remote client and said security gateway; and

wherein said security system server provides said remote client with ~~an access token~~ authorization information based on a permission profile associated with said user.

60. (New) A method for remote monitoring of a premises, said method comprising:
- operatively coupling a remote client to a security system server, said security system server being capable of authenticating a user of said remote client;
 - upon authentication of said user of said remote client, said security system server transmitting, to said remote client, authorization information necessary for said remote client to access a security gateway for said premises;
 - said remote client transmitting, to said security gateway, said authorization information transmitted to said remote client by said security system server;
 - operatively coupling said remote client to said security gateway, said security gateway being capable of managing the monitoring of one or more portions of said premises; and
 - transferring information between said security gateway and said remote client;
 - wherein said user is at a location which is geographically remote from said premises; and
 - wherein said remote client cannot access said security gateway without said authorization information provided, to said remote client, by said security system server.
61. The method of claim 60, and further comprising activating a signal at said premises for notifying an occupant at said premises that remote monitoring is occurring.